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## **Response to Applicants' Amendment**

1. Claims 1-20 are pending in the response filed 06/12/06 entered as Response After Non-Final Action (Miscellaneous Action with SSP of 5/10/06)

2. The Correspondence Address Change and Change in Power of Attorney filed 5/04/06 have been entered.

The amendment filed 06/12/06 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): the Applicants' reply does not comply with 37 CFR 1.121 because it does not have claim identifiers for each claim. For example: Claim 1 "(Previously amended)"; Claim 2 "(Original)", etc. Since the abovementioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, Applicants' are given a time period of **ONE** (1) **MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. Extensions of this time period maybe granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

This action is **NON-FINAL**. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ella Colbert whose telephone number is 571-272-6741. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday, 5:30AM-3:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James Trammell can be reached on 571-272-6712. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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